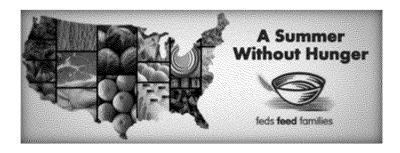
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Greetings! Below you will find the latest <u>OCSPP Lead Region Bi-Weekly</u> for OCSPP, Regional Division Directors, and related managers and staff. As usual, please get in touch with Hugh or Susan if you have questions/concerns or otherwise wish to discuss anything. For now, we just hope each of you will find something here that's useful and/or interesting. Enjoy!!



## OCSPP Lead Region Reminders/Updates

**August 17 – August 28, 2015** 

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### Action Items

**Regional Tire Crumb Survey Responses Due** – Responses are due by COB on **Monday Aug. 17**<sup>th</sup> to the recent survey issued to the Regions re/any State requests for guidance on the issue of tire crumb. Contact Hugh at 617-918-1867 or <a href="Martinez.hugh@epa.gov">Martinez.hugh@epa.gov</a>.

Review of Agenda for Denver RDD Meeting – Please provide Hugh with your thoughts, comments, or questions on the <u>Draft Meeting Agenda</u> by COB August 28<sup>th</sup>.

OCSPP/RDD Meeting (10/14+15) and Pre-Meeting Event (10/13) in Region 8 – Look for a more info coming soon to the Lead Region SharePoint Denver RDD Meeting page. Also, check out the draft description/itinerary for the exciting pre-meeting program at Colorado State Univ. featuring Jim Jones, RA Shaun McGrath, 2015 PGCCA winner Prof. Eugene Chen, and others at CSU's campus in Ft. Collins. Don't forget to book your room before 5pm Mountain Time 8/31 (a block of rooms has been set aside for Mon. through Thu. nights (10/12-10/15) at the Magnolia Hotel via this link).

# **Upcoming Calls/Meetings**

**August 26**<sup>th</sup> – Monthly <u>Intramural Green Chemistry / P2 Working Group Call</u> is from 1 – 2pm ET. These calls generally occur on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month.

September 10<sup>th</sup> – Next month's RDD VTC (2:00pm – 3:00pm ET).

### Reminders

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**EPA Responds to Release from CO Mine** – EPA and Region 8 in Denver deployed dozens of workers this week —including OSCs, public information officers, water quality experts, technicians, community involvement coordinators, and other support personnel for the incident management team— to respond to the release from the Gold King Mine near Silverton, CO. Go here to find out more about this major effort.

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**Pesticide Applicator Standards Proposed** – On August 5<sup>th</sup>, EPA issued a proposal to revise the Certification of Pesticide Applicators rule. The proposal will help keep communities safe, protect the environment, and reduce risks to applicators by ensuring that the riskiest pesticides are used safely. To read the pre-publication version of the proposed revisions <u>click here</u>. Public comments will be accepted for 90 days at <u>regulations.gov</u> (docket no. EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0183) once the proposed rule is published in the Federal Register, possibly during the week of 8/17.

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**TSCA Webinars Announced** – EPA will hold three webinars to help TSCA Sec. 5 submitters with the new web-based system for receiving forms and support docs. Each webinar will be from 1pm - 4pm ET on 8/26, 9/16, and 9/30/2015. Find out more here.

Risks from Flame Retardant Chemicals – EPA has issued documents and will establish public comment periods for two TSCA risk assessment processes relating to flame retardant chemicals. For a pre-publication copy of the FR Notice or more info about EPA assessments for TSCA Work Plan chemicals, including detailed fact sheets, visit EPA's web page.

### **SharePoint**

New information added:

**OCSPP** Weekly Updates

Summary Report and Slide Deck from July 21, 2015 Region 1 Safer Choice Workshop

Sublead report out - August 2015

Draft Agenda for Oct. 2015 RDD Meeting in Denver

All the Best,

-Hugh-

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